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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL INTELLIGENCE DIRECTIVE NO. 1 \*

BASIC DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

For the purpose of coordinating the intelligence activities of the several Government departments and agencies in the interest of national security and pursuant to the provisions of Section 102 of the National Security Act of 1947, as amended, the National Security Council hereby authorizes and directs that:

1. The Director of Central Intelligence shall coordinate the foreign intelligence effort of the United States, in accordance with principles established by statute and pertinent National Security Council directives.

2. To maintain the relationship necessary to a fully coordinated intelligence community,\*\* an Intelligence Advisory Committee consisting of the Director of Central Intelligence, who shall be chairman thereof, the intelligence chiefs of the Departments of State, Army, Navy, and Air Force and of the Joint Staff (JCS) and representatives of the Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation and of the Atomic Energy Commission is established to advise the Director of Central Intelligence. The Director of Central Intelligence shall invite the chief of any other department or agency having

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\*\*The intelligence community includes the Central Intelligence Agency; the intelligence components of the Departments of State, Army, Navy and Air Force, and of the Joint Staff (JCS); the Federal Bureau of Investigation; and the Atomic Energy Commission. Other components of the departments and agencies of the Government are included only to the extent of the agreed participation in regularly-established interdepartmental intelligence activities.

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functions related to the national security to sit with the Intelligence Advisory Committee whenever matters within the purview of his agency are to be discussed.

3. In carrying out the duty of the Central Intelligence Agency to advise and make recommendations to the National Security Council in matters concerning such intelligence activities of the departments and agencies of the Government as relate to the national security, the Director of Central Intelligence shall transmit therewith a statement indicating the concurrence or non-concurring views of the members of the Intelligence Advisory Committee: Provided, That when unanimity is not obtained among the military members of the Intelligence Advisory Committee, the Director of Central Intelligence shall refer the problem to the Secretary of Defense before presenting it to the National Security Council.

4. Recommendations transmitted by the Director of Central Intelligence shall, when approved by the National Security Council, be issued as National Security Council Intelligence Directives or as other appropriate Council directives and, as applicable, shall be implemented within the departments and agencies of the Government.

5. The Director of Central Intelligence shall act for the National Security Council to provide for detailed implementation of National Security Council Intelligence Directives by issuing such supplementary Director of Central Intelligence Directives as may be required. Such implementing directives in which the Intelligence Advisory Committee concurs unanimously shall be issued by the Director of Central Intelligence,

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and shall be implemented, as applicable, within the departments and agencies. Where disagreement arises between the Director of Central Intelligence and one or more members of the Intelligence Advisory Committee over such directives the proposed directive, together with statements of non-concurring views, shall be forwarded to the National Security Council for resolution as provided in paragraph 3.

6. National intelligence is that intelligence which is required for the formulation of national security policy, concerns more than one department or agency, and transcends the exclusive competence of a single department or agency. The Director of Central Intelligence shall produce\* national intelligence and disseminate it to the President, members of the National Security Council, members of the Intelligence Advisory Committee and, subject to existing statutes, to such other components of the Government as the National Security Council may from time to time designate or the Intelligence Advisory Committee may recommend. Intelligence so produced shall have the concurrence of the members of the Intelligence Advisory Committee or shall carry a statement of substantially differing opinion.

7. Departmental intelligence is that intelligence which any department or agency requires to execute its own mission. Departmental intelligence may be disseminated in accordance with existing statutes and Presidential policy including that reflected in international agreements.

\*By "produce" is meant "to correlate and evaluate intelligence relating to the national security" as provided in the National Security Act of 1947, as amended, section 102 (d)(3).

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8. Insofar as practicable, in the fulfillment of their respective responsibilities for the production of intelligence, the several departments and agencies shall not duplicate the intelligence activities and research of other departments and agencies and shall make full use of existing capabilities of the other members of the intelligence community.

9. The Director of Central Intelligence is authorized to disseminate national intelligence and interdepartmental intelligence relating to the national security on a strictly controlled basis to foreign governments and international bodies upon his determination with the concurrence of the Intelligence Advisory Committee, that such action would substantially promote the security of the United States: Provided, That such dissemination is consistent with existing statutes and Presidential policy including that reflected in international agreements; and provided further that any disclosure of FBI intelligence information shall be cleared with that agency prior to dissemination.

10. Whenever any member of the Intelligence Advisory Committee obtains information which indicates an impending crisis situation, such as any outbreak of hostilities or other condition which affects the security of the United States to such an extent that immediate action or decision by the President or the National Security Council may be required, he shall immediately transmit the information to the Director of Central Intelligence and the other members of the Intelligence Advisory Committee as well as to other officials or agencies as may be indicated by the circumstances. The Director of Central Intelligence shall, in consultation

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with the Intelligence Advisory Committee, immediately prepare and disseminate as appropriate the national intelligence estimate of the situation, in accordance with the procedures outlined in paragraphs 6 and 9 above.

11. To provide general guidance and specific priorities for the production of national intelligence and for collection, intelligence production, and other activities in support thereof, the Central Intelligence Agency in collaboration with the other departments and agencies concerned, shall; (a) prepare an outline of comprehensive National Intelligence Objectives generally applicable to foreign countries and areas; (b) identify from time to time, and on a current basis, Priority National Intelligence Objectives with reference to specific countries and subjects; and (c) issue such outline and priority objectives, for general intelligence guidance, and formally transmit them to the National Security Council.

12. In accordance with policies, procedures and practices established by the Director of Central Intelligence as provided in paragraph 5 above, the individual components of the intelligence community shall maintain a continuing interchange of intelligence, intelligence information, and other information which has utility for intelligence purposes.

13. The Director of Central Intelligence in consultation with and supported by the Intelligence Advisory Committee agencies shall call upon the other departments and agencies as appropriate to ensure that on intelligence matters affecting the national security the intelligence

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community is supported by the full knowledge and technical talent available in the Government.

14. The Director of Central Intelligence in coordination with the Intelligence Advisory Committee agencies shall ensure that the pertinence, extent, and quality of the available foreign intelligence and intelligence information relating to the national security is continually reviewed as a basis for improving the quality of intelligence and the correction of deficiencies.

15. In accordance with policies, procedures and practices established by the Director of Central Intelligence as provided in paragraph 5 above, and within the limits of their capabilities, the individual components of the intelligence community shall produce or procure such intelligence, intelligence information, and other information which has utility for intelligence purposes relating to the national security as may be requested by one of the departments or agencies.

16. To facilitate maximum community utilization of intelligence, intelligence information and other material with utility for intelligence purposes, the Director of Central Intelligence in consultation with the departments and agencies concerned shall take appropriate measures to facilitate the coordinated development of compatible referencing systems within the departments and agencies engaged in intelligence activities. Central reference facilities as a service of common concern shall be provided by the Central Intelligence Agency and/or other departments and agencies, as appropriate.

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17. The Director of Central Intelligence shall, in consultation with the members of the Intelligence Advisory Committee and with other appropriate offices, ensure the development of policies, procedures, and practices for the protection of intelligence sources and methods from unauthorized disclosure.

18. The departments and agencies of the Government shall establish appropriate policies and procedures to control and limit undesirable publicity relating to intelligence activities. Each shall also establish appropriate policies and procedures to prevent the unauthorized disclosure from within that agency of intelligence information or activity.

19. To the extent authorized by paragraph (e) and for the purposes recited in paragraphs (d)(1) and (2) of Section 102 of the National Security Act of 1947, as amended, the Director of Central Intelligence, or representatives designated by him, in consultation with the head of the intelligence or other appropriate component of the department or agency concerned, shall make such surveys of departmental intelligence activities of the various departments and agencies as he may deem necessary in connection with his duty to advise the National Security Council and to coordinate the intelligence effort of the United States.

20. The Director of Central Intelligence shall make arrangements with the departments and agencies for the assignment to the Central Intelligence agency of such experienced and qualified personnel as may

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be of advantage for advisory, operational, or other purposes. In order to facilitate the performance of their respective intelligence missions, the departments and agencies concerned shall, by agreement, provide each other with such mutual assistance as may be within their capabilities and as may be required in the interests of the intelligence community for reasons of economy, efficiency, or operational necessity. Primary departmental interests shall be recognized and shall receive the cooperation and support of the Central Intelligence Agency.